

**OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP
MINUTES, JUNE 17, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Otsego Lake Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Wagar with the Pledge of Allegiance. All board members present and nine audience members. A motion was made by Baker to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Seconded by Brown, motion carried. A motion was made by Brown to approve payment of the bills for the General Fund in the amount of \$24,490.43, Fire Fund \$7,608.21 and Trash Fund \$15,092.00. Seconded by Jacobs, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Beginning Balance	\$1,310,159.47
Receipts	38,177.99
Disbursements	37,838.59
Ending Balance	\$1,310,438.87

TAX ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance	\$ 1,018.39
Receipts	41,154.66
Disbursements	41,472.96
Ending Balance	\$ 500.09

FIRE FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 234,585.50
Receipts	14,517.00
Disbursements	\$ 25,106.96
Ending Balance	\$ 223,995.54

TRASH FUND

Beginning Balance	\$133,674.00
Receipts	15,829.31
Disbursements	15,092.00
Ending Balance	\$134,411.31

A motion was made by Brown to approve the treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Baker, motion carried. A list of delinquent properties was received from the County. The board has the Right of First Refusal and has until July 30, 2010 to decide if we should take possession of any of these properties. The treasurer will check on addresses and will look into this again at the July meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Report presented by Chief Shelly. There were seventeen runs since last month. Three members successfully completed their FF1 and FF11, drivers training and Haz-mat class that stated in December of 2009. One member still needs to take the test for the class. The department should be receiving a check for services rendered at the Crawford County fire for \$826.00. Fire training this month was on water rescue equipment. Next months FF training will be extraction and car fires and EMS training will be immobilization and stabilization. We received a price quote of \$15,000 to use the State Police Tower for our 800 MHz radios. Wagar will talk to John Burt, County Administrator and Mike Thompson, EMS about sharing the cost 50/50. The Fire Fighters Association donated \$1,000.00 worth for water rescue equipment.

After the board reviewed amended copy of the Fire Charges Ordinance, a motion was made by Baker and seconded by Brown to print the amended Fire Charges Ordinance in its entirety in the paper. Motion carried.

We need to change the signature cards for our bank accounts for the general, fire and trash funds. At present the supervisor, clerk and treasurer are on the accounts. This needs to be changed to the Treasurer, Clerk, Deputy Treasurer and Deputy Clerk. All checks must have either the treasurer or the clerk's signature, in addition to one other signature. It can not be both of the deputy's signatures on checks. The board approved changing the signature cards.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Baker received a letter from Great Lakes Energy informing the township that it has been awarded a \$1,000.00 grant from the People Fund to be used toward the purchase of a boat, motor, trailer, rescue boat package. It is contingent on the township raising the remainder of the funds needed. We need to add \$400.00 to the allocated amount to total \$6,400.00. A motion was made by Brown to add the additional \$400.00, seconded by Jacobs, motion carried.

A motion was made by Baker to match a 50/50 grant through the DNR for rescue equipment in the amount of \$1,186.00. Seconded by Brown, motion carried. Everything is working on the web page.

Brown did not attend the monthly fire meeting as she is still unable to drive.

CONSTABLE REPORT

The board reviewed the inspection reports. Everything checked out. The Parkside Store still does not have their liquor license.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT

Backenstose reminded everyone of the air show at the County Airport this weekend. There will be a food distribution at the Evangelical Church this month. The county is still trying to see what can be done with the old DNR property.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Report presented by member Baker. The members continued work on the Draft Interchange Zoning District language, heard reports from the county planning and Township Board representative.

TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT

Report given by park committee member Markovich. Meeting was held at the park on June 8th. We have received a revised bid from J.C. Milliken for a masonry vault toilet. The committee reviewed the costs and specifications and would like to recommend to the township board to go ahead and make a motion to have them do the work. The bid is for \$12,712.50. He will install a timed lock for an additional \$929.50. His bid does not include a concrete walk from the edge of the parking lot to the toilet and the board had questions about painting the cement block. The committee will go over these issues with Mr. Milliken at the next meeting on June 29th. A motion was made by Markovich to approve spending up to \$15,000.00 for the toilet and the additional work. Seconded by Brown, motion carried. We have received a bid from Stuckman for \$2000.00 to provide and spread woodchips on the Nature Trail. After discussion it was decided to have Stuckman put the chips on the trail.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE REPORT

Report presented by member Brown. The pump house roof at the cemetery will be reshingled. Northwood Plumbing & Heating will donate the labor for this project. Nora Corfis volunteered to paint the pump house. There are trees blocking installation of the last sections of fence. Stuckman will take the trees out grind the stumps and roots for \$400.00. Trustees Baker and Brown will stop by the cemetery to look at the trees and get in touch with Stuckman. The cemetery committee has been checking on the prices that other cemeteries charge. If we change our prices we will have to amend the cemetery ordinance. A resolution to amend the Otsego Lake Township Cemetery Ordinance 96-1 for cemetery lot pricing to \$200.00 for residents and \$400.00 for non-residents. Seconded by Baker. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion to adopt the resolution carried.

As we made a motion earlier to approve the amended Fire Charges Ordinance and it should have been a resolution to amend the ordinance a motion was made by Baker and seconded by Brown to rescind the earlier motion. Motion carried. A motion was then made by Baker to approve the resolution to amend the ordinance. Seconded by Brown, roll vote, all ayes. Motion to adopt resolution carried.

The cemetery committee would like to see the posts that line the road at the back of the cemetery a uniform size.

NEW BUSINESS

There are some tree branches rubbing on the roof on the south side of the township hall. Baker will check into cost to have them removed. Township resident Stults again commented on the problem with the small sign at the Keg Bar that sometimes blocks the sidewalk in front of the building.

COMMENTS HEARD FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWNSHIP

Some residents felt that some of the comments made during the meeting were nit picking and out of place.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, July 15, 2010.

Lorraine Markovich, Clerk
Otsego Lake Township